

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Serial No.: 09/995,698 Confirmation No.: 2615  
Applicant: Andrew C. Gilbert  
Title: LINKING BIDS AND OFFERS IN A TRADING SYSTEM  
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Art Unit: 3691  
Examiner: Hani Kazimi  
  
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Customer No. 63710

**AFTER FINAL – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE****REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Applicant hereby replies to the Office Action of April 1, 2009. Kindly amend the application as follows.

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant petitions for a two-month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of April 1, 2009, to and including September 1, 2009.

Kindly charge the petition fee to Deposit Account No. 50-3938, Order No. 00-1027.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS** begin on page 12 of this paper.